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**RIVER FLEET OPERATIONS LAG -- Rechnoy Transport, No 49, 21 Jun 49**

As of 20 June, 63.3 percent of the June plan should have been completed by the Ministry of River Fleet. However, as of that date, only 55.1 percent of the plan in tons and 51.3 percent of the plan in ton-kilometers had been completed. The work of the river fleet as a whole lagged 1½ days, with wheat and coal transporting one day behind schedule, timber and firewood transporting in ships 1½ days behind, transport of salt 2 days behind, and petroleum and raft transporting 3 days behind. The Main Administration of Southern River Fleet operated ahead of schedule only for tons. The Main Administration of the Far Eastern River Fleet lagged more seriously than others; only the East Siberian Steamship Fleet is fulfilling the plan for tons according to schedule. The Yenisey Fleet is fulfilling its plan.

The Moskova-Oka, Pechora, Don, Vyatka, Northwestern, Verkhne-Irtysh, Amur, and Central Asia fleets operated best in June.

As formerly, towing of rafts in the Northern and Kama basins lagged seriously.

**EASTERN RIVER FLEET TO REACH 1950 TRANSPORT LEVEL -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 92, 11 May 49**

M. N. Chebotarev, Vice-Minister of the River Fleet USSR and chief of the Main Administration of River Transport of the Eastern Regions, reports that the recent pledge of eastern river-fleet workers means that the workers on the Irtysh, Ob', Angara, Selenga, Yenisey, Amur, and Lena will complete the Five-Year Plan in 4 years in regard to freight hauling. Nonstop operation of the fleet is being adopted more extensively in all eastern river basins. Service for ships en route is being organized in Tara, Tobol'sk, Yeniseysk, Igarka, and other centers. New lines, using high-speed Diesel cargo ships, are being opened, and new passenger lines, connecting the river cities of Siberia and the East with agricultural regions, have begun to operate. Mechanization is being extended in docks and port facilities.

During the past winter, repair workers carried out twice as much capital repair work on ships than in 1947 - 1948.

**STEAMSHIP LINE ANNOUNCES ROUTES -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 92, 11 May 49**

The West Siberian Steamship Line announces to all Novosibirsk citizens that it has opened regular freight and passenger service on the following routes: Novosibirsk-Barnaul-Biysk, Novosibirsk-Kamen', Novosibirsk-Tomsk-Aleksandrovo, Novosibirsk-Tomsk-Kargasok, Novosibirsk -- Nizhne-Vartovskoye, Tomsk-Kolpashevo, and Tomsk-Tegul'det (on the Chulym River). Local suburban lines have been organized in Biysk, Barnaul, Novosibirsk, Tomsk, and Kolpashevo. All ships are operated on schedules. Ships and docks are equipped with radio facilities. Waiting rooms have information bureaus, storage rooms for hand-carried baggage, and rooms for mothers and children.

**DON RIVER FLEET REINFORCED -- Rechnoy Transport, No 49, 21 Jun 49**

During the current navigation season the Don River Fleet is being reinforced by some 400-horsepower steamships (built in the "Leninskaya kuznitsa" Plant), propeller-driven steamships and self-propelled barges, and 20 non-power-driven ships, of which some are tankers. The fleet is also getting two pump dredges with a capacity of 150 cubic meters per hour.

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